Was read a first time and ordered for a second reading on to-morrow.

On motion.

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning, nine o'clock.

### FRIDAY, Dec. 17, 1852.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Rev. Mr. Zealey officiated as chaplain.

A quorum being present, the journal of yesterday's proceedings

were read and approved.

A Committee from the House of Representatives informed the Senate that Caraway Smith had been appointed Speaker pro tem.

On motion of Mr. Johnson,

Mr. Brown was excused from attendance on the Senate for to-day. On motion of Mr. Blackburn,

Mr. Gillis had leave of absence until Tuesday next.

Mr. Snell, according to previous notice, introduced a bill to be entitled An Act to permit John W. Roberts to practice medicine: Which was placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Buddington, from the Committee on Propositions and Griev-

ances, made the following report:

The Committee on Propositions and Grievances, to whom was referred the petition of Daniel A. Burleson and others, have had the same under consideration, and through their Chairman, ask leave to report:

That they have examined said petition, and the papers attached to the same, and are led to the conclusion that said prayer ought not to be granted, and do, therefore, report against it.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

O. BUDDINGTON,

Chairman.

Which was received, and the report and petition placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Moseley, from a Joint Select Committee, made the following report:

The Joint Select Committee, appointed in obedience to law to examine and report the condition of the office of the Comptroller of Public Accounts, have performed that duty, and make the following report:

The duties of the Comptroller of Public Accounts are arduous and responsible, and require untiring energy and industry to discharge the duties pertaining to the same. Your Committee have carefully examined the office, and bear willing testimony to the ability with which that officer has discharged his duties, and ask to be discharged.

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Respectfully submitted,

W. P. MOSELEY, Chairman Senate Committee. JAMES J. POLHILL, Chairman House Committee.

Which was received and read.

The following Message was received from the House of Representatives:

> House of Representatives, December 16, 1852.

Honorable President of the Senate:

Sir,-The House have passed the following bills, to wit:

Bill to be entitled An Act to prevent negroes from being taken out of the State from the present Indian country without notice;

Bill to be entitled An Act to amend the patrol laws of this State; Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the election of a county site of Alachua County:

Bill to be entitled An Act to legitimate Augustus W. Whitmire, Elizabeth Whitmire, Joseph C. Whitmire and Margaret Whitmire.

Respectfully, JOHN DICK.

Clerk House of Representatives.

Which was read, and the bill placed among the orders of the day for to-day.

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY.

A bill to be entitled An Act to Incorporate the Pensacola and Mobile Bay Rail Road Company,

Came up, and on motion, the Senate went into the committee of

the whole upon said bill,

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and by their Chairman, reported the bill back to the Senate, and ask leave to sit again.

A bill to be entitled An Act to facilitate the collection of debts due by any Banking Corporation,

Was read a second time, and on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A bill to be entitled An Act to promote Agriculture in this State, Was read a second time, and on motion, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

A bill to be entitled An Act to enable Executors, Administrators

and Guardians to sell the real estate of Infants.

Was read a second time, and on motion, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

House bill to be entitled An Act for the relief of Robert Lawrence,

Was read a second time, and on motion, referred to the Committee on Claims and Accounts.

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House bill to be entitled An Act to admit Claudius Stewart to practice Law in the several Courts of this State,

Was read a second time, rule waived, read a third time, and upon the question of its passage, the vote was as follows:

YEAS—Mr. President, Messrs. Buddington, Forsyth, Gillis, Gonzalez, Johnson, Long, Moseley, Smith and Stewart—10.

NAYS-Mr. Baldwin-1.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered, That the same be certified to the House of Representatives.

House bill to be entitled An Act to authorize Celestine Gonzalez to build a Wharf in the City of Pensacola,

Was read a second time, rule waived, read third time by its title,

and upon the question of its passage, the vote was:

YEAS—Mr. President, Messrs. Baldwin, Buddington, Finley, Forsyth, Gillis, Gonzalez, Johnson, Long, Moseley, Smith and Stewart—12.

NAYS-None.

So the bill passed—tite as stated.

Ordered, That the same be certified to the House of Representatives.

House bill to be entitled An Act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for Partition of Estates, approved March 14th, 1844,

Was read a second time and referred to Committee on the Judiciary.

House bill to be entitled An Act to authorize Angus Niholson toassume the management of his own estate,

Was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading on to-morrow.

Resolution in relation to the Printing of the Laws,

Was read a second time and ordered for a third reading on tomorrow.

An Act to permit John W. Roberts to practice medicine.

Was read a first time, and ordered for a second reading on to-mor-

House bill to be entitled An Act to legitimate Augustus W. Whitmire, Elizabeth Whitmire, Joseph C. Whitmire, and Margaret Whitmire,

Was read the first time, rule waived, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

House bill to be entitled An Act to amend the Patrol Laws of this State.

Was read a first time, rule waived, read second time and referred

to the Committee on the Judiciary.

House bill to be entitled An Act to prevent negroes from being taken out of the State from the present Indian country, without notice,

Was read a first time, and on motion, the rule was waived, and read a second time and on motion was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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House bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the election of a

county site of Alachua County,

Was read a first time and ordered for a second reading on to-morrow.

Mr. Finley from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, made the following report:

The Committee on Engrossed Bills report as correctly engrossed,

An Act prescribing the condition of Injunction Bonds.

Resolution authorizing the Treasurer to purchase a fire-proof safe for the safe keeping of the public monies;

And also, An Act to amend an act entitled an act to grant preemption rights to settlers on State lands, approved December 27th. 1848.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. FINLEY,

Chairman

Which was received and read, and the bills placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Finley also made the following report:

The Committee on Engrossed Bills report as correctly engrossed: An Act to amend and simplify the Election Laws now in force in this State.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. FINLEY,

Which report was read, and the bill placed among the orders of the day.

Engrossed bill entitled An Act prescribing the condition of Injunction Bonds.

Was read a third time, and upon the question of its passage, the vote was as follows, viz:

YEAS—Mr. President, Messys. Baldwin, Blackburn, Buddington, Finley, Forsyth, Gillis, Johnson, Long, Moseley, Smith, Snell and Stewart—13.

Navs-None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered, That the same be certified to the House of Representaives.

Engrossed bill to be entitled An Act to amend an act entitled an act to grant pre-emption rights to settlers on State lands, approved December 27, 1848.

Was read a third time, and upon the question of its passage, the

YEAS—Messrs. Baldwin, Blackburn, Buddington, Finley, Gillis, Johnson, Long, Moseley, Smith, Snell and Stewart—11.

NAVS-0.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered, That the same be certified to the House of Representa-

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Engrossed resolution authorizing the Treasurer to purchase a fire proof safe, for the safe keeping of the public monies,

Was read a third time, and by the unanimous consent of the Senate was laid on the table.

Engrossed bill to be entitled An Act to amend and simplify the election laws now in force in this State,

Was read a third time, and upon the question of its passage, the vote was:

YEAS-Mr. President, Messrs. Baldwin, Blackburn, Buddington, Finley, Forsyth, Gillis, Gonzalez, Johnson, Long, Moseley, Provence, Smith, Snell and Stewart-15.

NAVS-0.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered, That the same be certified to the House of Representa-

On motion, the rule was waived so as to allow Mr. Finley to introduce without previous notice,

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Florida and Georgia Rail Road Company:

Which was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading on to-morrow.

A bill to be entitled An Act to incorporate the Pensacola and Mobile bay Rail Road Company,

Came up, and on motion, 75 copies were ordered to be printed. The report of the committee on Propositions and Grievances, together with the petition of Daniel A. Burleson was taken up,

And on motion to concur in the report of the committee, the year and nays were called for by Messrs. Provence and Johnson, and were as follows:

YEAS-Messrs. Blackburn, Buddington, Finley, Gillis, Johnson, Long, Moseley, Smith, Snell and Stewart-10.

Navs-Mr. President and Mr. Provence-2.

So the report of the committee was concurred in.

Mr. Johnson moved that the Senate adjourn until 9 o'clock, tomorrow morning;

Which motion was lost. On motion of Mr. Snell,

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

## SATURDAY, December 18th, 1852.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Rev. Mr. Zealey officiated as chaplain.

A quorum being present, the proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

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Mr. Johnson, from the committee on Internal Improvements, made

the following report:

The Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred a bill to be entitled An Act to authorize William H. Chase and Jasper W. Strong to cut a canal, connecting the waters of the Perdido River and Grand Lagoon, have considered the same, and ask leave to report:

The contemplated work is intended for general benefit and public convenience, without interfering with the rights or privileges of others. The committee recommend the passage of the bill without amendment, and ask to be discharged.

Respectfully submitted,

# ALLEN G. JOHNSON,

Chairman.

Which was received and read, and the bill placed among the orders of the day.

## ORDERS OF THE DAY.

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize William H. Chase and Jasper Strong, to cut a canal, connecting the waters of the Perdido River and Grand Lagoon,

Was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

House bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize Angus Nicholson to assume the management of his own estate,

Was read a third time, and upon the question of its passage, the vote was as follows:

YEAS-Mr. President, Messrs. Buddington, Finley, Forsyth, Gonzalez, Johnson, Smith and Snell-8.

NAYS-Messrs. Blackburn, Moseley and Stewart-3.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered, That the same be certified to the House of Representa-

On motion of Mr. Baldwin, the rule was waived and he permitted to make the following report from the joint Select Committee appointed to examine the Office of Treasurer of this State: The Joint Select Committee appointed to examine the office of the

Treasurer of this State beg leave to Report:

That they have discharged the duty assigned them, and that they take pleasure in stating that the Treasurer has performed the duties of his office with fidelity and correctness. The books of the office are all properly posted, and the papers, including the notes belonging to the several land funds, are all properly filed and labelled. Warrants were exhibited for every payment that has been made, and every entry was sustained by its proper voucher. Indeed, your comf mittee are entirely satisfied with the manner in which the duties othe office have been discharged.